

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of:

Dennis R. McKean et al.	Examiner:	John L. Goff II
Serial No.: 10/611,418	Group Art Unit:	1791
Filing Date: June 30, 2003	Confirmation No:	1933
Title: SLIDERS BONDED BY A DEBONDABLE SILICON-BASED ENCAPSULANT		

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON  
NOVEMBER 14, 2008**

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Sir:

This reply is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on November 14, 2008, in the above-identified application for which a three month period for reply was given, making this response due on or before February 14, 2008. As such, this amendment is timely filed.

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